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APPLICANT: **ROBERTS, ET AL.**

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FOR: **METHOD FOR STABILIZATION OF
BIOLOGICAL CULTURES TO ALLOW
BIOLOGICAL TREATMENT OF BRINES**

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RESPONSE TO 03 NOVEMBER 2010 FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Dear Examiner KC Srivastava:

In response to the Final Office Action dated **3 November 2010** Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks:

SUMMARY OF FINAL OFFICE ACTION

	References Cited in 371 Application
Claims 1-13	Claims canceled as drawn to non-elected subject matter
Claims 14-30	Elected and Examined
Claims 14-30	Previous Rejection Withdrawn
Claims 14-26	102(b) – Logan (US6214607) + Okeke et al. (2002 article)
Claims 27-30	103(a) – Logan + Okeke et al. (2002 article) + Venkatesh et al (US6066257)